

Frequently Asked Questions

State Connectivity Dollars Effective 7-1-09

Filings of E-rate Effective 7-1-10

1. **Q:** Who will I be sending my invoice payments to for the 2009 invoice year (7-1-09 to 6-30-10)?

A: Send your payments to: Indiana Department of Education. This is noted on your invoice.

- 2. **Q:** Will E-rate and the state connectivity portion be discounted on the 2009 invoices? **A:** Yes, same as it has been on the past invoices.
- **3. Q:** Who will I be sending my invoice payments to for the 2010 invoice year (7-1-10 to 6-30-11)?

A: The service provider that is selected through DOE's bidding process.

4. Q: When will the first invoice for 2009 be sent to us?

A: Sometime around the middle of September 2009. The first invoice will include July, August & Septembers services.

5. O: Will the invoices be sent on a monthly basis now?

A: Yes, starting with the October 2009 invoice.

6. Q: Where will I find the forms I normally filled out each year for our 2010 Internet filing?

A: We are still working through that process and will notify the members soon.

7. Q: Which schools will AdTec be assisting?

A: Schools that have Internet service on the state network.

8. Q: Is there a link to the 2 WebEx calls DOE hosted to discuss the changes to E-rate filing and the billing process?

A: Yes, it is located at http://www.doe.in.gov/olr/

9. Q: Will there be any more WebEx calls in the future?

A: We may have others specifically regarding the filings of 2010 E-Rate year.

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10. Q: For 2010 when will the state connectivity dollars be mailed to the schools for 2010 Internet payments?

A: We have had several suggestions but have not made a final determination.

- A check mailed to the schools for the full year of 2010
- A check mailed to the schools on a monthly basis
- A check mailed to the schools twice a year
- II.Q: Are the state connectivity dollars available to schools that are not on the state network?

A: No, the state connectivity dollars will continue to be available only to those schools on the state network.

12.Q: Will each school district sign a contract for Internet services with the selected Internet provider?

A: No, DOE will still procure the Internet services with the selected vendor and hold the contract.

- 13.Q: Who should we contact with questions regarding our current level of service?
 A: Please contact your ENA sales representative or call their toll free number 1-888-612-2880.
- **14.** Q: How does the reduction in the state connectivity grant affect my school corporation?

A: Please contact Marcia Ping at DOE to go over the allocation model for your school.

15.Q: What role does AdTec now have in DOE's E-rate filings?

A: AdTec has been assisting DOE with their consortium Internet applications since 2005. Normally DOE filed 8-10 consortium applications each year and there was always an 18-24 month lag in approvals. To help speed up the application approval process Adtec will now file individual applications for each state network member, with appropriate documentation.

16.Q: What are the changes in the new billing procedure?

A: For 7/1/09 to 6/30/10 your invoices will be from DOE and payable to DOE on a monthly basis. For 7/1/10 to 6/30/11 your invoices will be from the state network vendor and payable on a monthly basis. The state connectivity dollars will be sent directly to the state network member. How these dollars will flow to the schools is still undecided. See question 10.

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- **17.** Q: In the past we had several documents to be completed by a certain time to be included on DOE's Internet Consortium E-Rate Application. Are we still required to sign those same forms?
 - A: Yes, you will have the CIPA compliance form, the Letter of Agency, the technology plan update or a new 3 year plan (whichever is required), the service level checklist and a new form called the E-Rate data sheet. The E-rate data sheet is a new form that helps with Program Integrity (PIA) reviews requested by the Schools and Library Division that administers the E-rate program.

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